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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - CHARTER UNDERSTANDING

REF: LONDON 2324

1. CHARTER UNDERSTANDING EXPIRES MARCH 31, AND WE WISH TO MAKE NEW EFFORT WITH BRITISH TO AMEND AND EXTEND ACCORD UNTIL MARCH 31, 1975, ALONG LINES WORKED OUT IN LONDON (REFTEL).

2. WE WOULD, OF COURSE, PREFER TO EXTEND UNDERSTANDING UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1975, BUT HAVE ALREADY INDICATED OUR WILLINGNESS TO ACCOMMODATE HMG ON THIS SCORE. HOWEVER, WE CONTINUE TO HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY WITH UK PROPOSAL TO GRANT EXCEPTIONS FROM 30-DAY PRELISTING REQUIREMENT ONLY ON BASIS OF "COMPASSIONATE REASONS" (PARA 5, DRAFT LETTER TO MEADOWS ON AFFINITY CHARTER FLIGHTS). THEREFORE, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INFORM BRITISH THAT, ALTHOUGH USG IS NOW PREPARED TO PROCEED WITH MEMO OF CONSULTATIONS ESSENTIALLY AS DRAFTED, WE CONTINUE TO HAVE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE USE OF THE TERM "COMPASSIONATE REASONS." WE ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THAT THE BRITISH MAY IMPLEMENT EXCEPTIONS USING THEIR INTER-

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PRETATION OF THIS STANDARD, BUT THE TERM ITSELF CAUSES US

SUBSTANTIAL PRECEDENTIAL PROBLEMS. WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE ECAC LANGUAGE RE EXCEPTIONS, BUT IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE FROM UK VIEWPOINT, WE WOULD PROPOSE THAT FIRST

SENTENCE OF PARA 5 OF PROPOSED LETTER BE AMENDED TO READ QUOTE IN APPLYING THIS CONDITION, WE SHALL BE READY TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING LIMITED EXCEPTIONS. END QUOTE. THIS FORMULATION WOULD NOT REQUIRE ANY CHANGE BY BRITISH IN THEIR STANDARDS FOR CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS FOR EXCEPTIONS, AND WOULD REMOVE SERIOUS OBSTACLE TO USG CONSIDERATION OF PRESENT TEXT.

3. IF UK AUTHORITIES CAN ACCEPT FOREGOING, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO INITIAL DRAFT MEMO OF CONSULTATION AND HAVE IT BROUGHT INTO FORCE IN EXCHANGE OF NOTES IN LONDON AT EARLY DATE. CASEY

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